GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:451
ANSWERED ON:22.04.2003
MISUSE OF DOWRY ACT
RAMDAS ATHAWALE

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidents of gross misuse of the Dowry Act have come to the notice of the Government duringthe last three years and till date as reported in Dainik Jagran dated March 17, 2003;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether in view of the gross misuse of the said Act the Government propose to include this crime in the category of bailable offences;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) There is no information about gross misuse of the Dowry Prohibition Act in the country with the Government of India.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.